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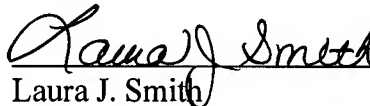
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
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50 25

200 100

360 180

**Total Claims****Extra Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)****Multiple Dependent Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)**

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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

**Indep. Claims****Extra Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)**\_\_\_\_ - 3 or HP= 7 x 200 = 1,400.00

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